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VIA EMAIL ONLY

LOUISIANA ETHICS ADMINISTRATION PROGRAM
P.O. Box 4368
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Re: Inquiry Regarding Ethics Obligations

Dear Louisiana Board of Ethics:

On behalf of a current PilieroMazza PLLC client (the "Company"), we are writing to respectfully request confirmation concerning any potential ethical violations under the Louisiana Code for Government Ethics arising from the Company's decision to hire a former Revenue Tax Auditor Supervisor with the Louisiana Department of Revenue ("LADOR"). It is our understanding that under the Louisiana Code for Government Ethics, "[n]o former public employee shall, for . . . two years following the termination of his public employment, assist another person, for compensation, in a transaction, or in an appearance **in connection with a transaction in which such former public employee participated at any time during his public employment and involving the governmental entity by which he was formerly employed.**" See La. Stat. Ann. § 42:1121(B)(1) (emphasis added); see also Ethics Commission Docket No. 93-321 (1994) (explaining that a former legislative aid to a City councilperson did not violate their ethical obligations under La. Stat. Ann. § 42:1121 while working as a consultant to assist private clients acquire permits from the City where he did not previously participate in such matters with those clients during his time as a city employee). Here, the employee will be working for the Company on certain LADOR cases, but the employee will not work on any LADOR cases on which the employee worked in the employee's previous capacity at LADOR.

1. Does this scenario present on its face any violations of the former employee's ethical obligations under Louisiana Code for Government Ethics?

Thank you so much for taking the time to review our inquiry. If you have any questions or if you wish to arrange a time to discuss this matter further, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Sincerely,

Sarah L. Nash
Matthew J. Stokes

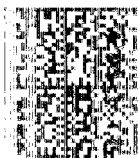
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